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— Romans 15:30

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Chapter 1

The Love of the Beautiful Holy Spirit

> *Now I beg you, brothers, by our Lord Jesus Christ, and by the love of the Spirit, that you strive together with me in your prayers to God for me,*
>
> Romans 15:30

The love of the Spirit is the love of the anointing. You may know about the Holy Spirit but it does not mean that you love Him. You can develop a great love for the Holy Spirit. Those who love the anointing are those who experience it. God does not give His treasures to people who do not value them.

It is important to love the Spirit. You must fall in love with the Holy Spirit. The way to fall in love with someone is to see the person and begin to like all the qualities that the person possesses.

The anointing is a beautiful thing and you must fall in love with the beauty of the anointing. The Holy Spirit is right before you! It is time to admire Him! It is time to notice Him and fall in love with Him. Indeed, the anointing is beautiful! You can love the Spirit!

There are beautiful features of the Holy Spirit that I want you to know about. You must think on the revelation of our beautiful Holy Spirit. Each of the virtues listed below makes the Holy Spirit altogether lovely and altogether beautiful.

1. The lovely Holy Spirit is an eternal, everlasting presence.

> *How much more shall the blood of Christ, who THROUGH THE ETERNAL SPIRIT offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?*
>
> Hebrews 9:14

The Holy Spirit is an eternal spirit! He is the anointing that is eternal and forever! O, the beauty of being an eternal anointing! The Holy Spirit is an eternal spirit. Once He is with you, He is with you forever! This is why the gifts and callings of God are without repentance. The lovely eternal spirit will not stay with you for a short season of your life. He is an eternal spirit.

2. The lovely Holy Spirit is a lovely presence that is everywhere.

> *WHITHER SHALL I GO FROM THY SPIRIT? Or whither shall I flee from thy presence? If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there. If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea; even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me.*
>
> Psalm 139:7–10

The Holy Spirit is everywhere. O, the beauty of an anointing that is present everywhere! He is here right now. No matter where you are, you can experience the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is in every country. People can only be seen and experienced in certain locations and under certain circumstances. The Holy Spirit can be experienced in every location and

under every circumstance. You can experience the presence of the Holy Spirit at home, in bed, in the bathroom, in the kitchen, driving a car, working in the office, sitting in church, after church, on a plane and in a restaurant. He is everywhere! He is right by your side!

3. The lovely Holy Spirit is beautiful because He is full of revelation.

The Holy Spirit is a spirit of revelation. Expect to have sudden bursts of light and new knowledge because of the Holy Spirit. Expect to have new knowledge when the Holy Spirit comes on you. Expect revelation of knowledge and wisdom as a sign that the Holy Spirit has come into your life.

> *That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you THE SPIRIT OF WISDOM AND REVELATION in the knowledge of him:*
>
> Ephesians 1:17

> *BUT GOD HATH REVEALED THEM UNTO US BY HIS SPIRIT: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God. For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.*
>
> 1 Corinthians 2:10–11

> *But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, HE SHALL TEACH YOU ALL THINGS, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.*

John 14:26

> *I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit when he, THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH, IS COME, HE WILL GUIDE YOU into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.*
>
> John 16:12–13

4. The lovely Holy Spirit is super powerful.

The great power of the Holy Spirit makes Him very attractive. Another name for the Holy Spirit is "the power of the highest." When the Holy Spirit comes over you, the power of the highest overshadows you.

> *And the angel answered and said unto her, THE HOLY GHOST SHALL COME UPON THEE, AND THE POWER OF THE HIGHEST SHALL OVERSHADOW THEE: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.*
>
> Luke 1:35

5. The lovely Holy Spirit is creative.

The creative power of the Sprit makes Him even more beautiful. The creative power of the Holy Spirit makes Him even more lovely. When He is present, you can expect new ideas, new ways and new projects. The Holy Spirit creates new books, new songs, new ideas and new things. Notice how all forms of creation are ascribed to the Holy Spirit. Notice how new

things are ascribed to the presence of the Holy Spirit.

> *THOU SENDEST FORTH THY SPIRIT, THEY ARE CREATED: and thou renewest the face of the earth.*
>
> Psalm 104:30

> *THE SPIRIT OF GOD HATH MADE ME, and the breath of the Almighty hath given me life.*
>
> Job 33:4

> *In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. AND THE SPIRIT OF GOD MOVED UPON THE FACE OF THE WATERS. And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.*
>
> Genesis 1:1–3

6. The lovely Holy Spirit is full of life.

You will notice how young people are attractive because they are full of life. Where the Holy Spirit is moving, it seems as though everything is full of life. The Holy Spirit is full of life! The Holy Spirit imparts life! It was the Holy Spirit who moved on the earth when God was bringing life to the planet Earth.

> *And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and BREATHED INTO HIS NOSTRILS THE BREATH OF LIFE; AND MAN BECAME A LIVING SOUL.*

> Genesis 2:7

Man is actually dust! If you look into a coffin after several years, you will just find some coffee-coloured grains of dust. In creation, God actually breathed into a pile of dust which turned into a man. It was the Holy Spirit that turned the dust into a living, breathing man.

> *IT IS THE SPIRIT THAT QUICKENETH; THE flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.*
>
> John 6:63

You must fall in love with the Holy Spirit because He brings so much life. When you go to a church where the Holy Spirit is moving, you will notice how alive it seems to be. Life is always a sign of the presence of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the spirit that "quickeneth"! This means that the Holy Spirit is the spirit that gives life.

> *But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead SHALL ALSO QUICKEN YOUR MORTAL BODIES by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.*
>
> Romans 8:11

7. The lovely Holy Spirit is beautiful because of His prophecy.

> *For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were MOVED BY THE HOLY GHOST.*

2 Peter 1:21

> *THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD SPAKE BY ME, AND HIS WORD WAS IN MY TONGUE.*
>
> 2 Samuel 23:2–3

The Holy Spirit is beautiful because all prophecy comes through Him. All those who have spoken prophecies have done so by the Spirit of God.

> *And I fell at his feet to worship him... for the testimony of Jesus is THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY.*
>
> Revelation 19:10

The Holy Spirit is called the spirit of prophecy. He is the spirit that generates prophecy. Prophecy is one of the most beautiful things in the church. It raises your natural speech to the level of a supernatural utterance.

8. The lovely Holy Spirit is beautiful because He is always linked to the Father and linked to the Son.

The Holy Spirit is inseparably connected to the Father and to Jesus. This linkage, connection and fusion makes the Holy Spirit even more beautiful and attractive.

> *Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:*
>
> Matthew 28:19

In the Great Commission, we see the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit all

working together.

> *The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen.*
>
> 2 Corinthians 13:14

In the sharing of the Grace, we see the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit all working together. The Holy Spirit is always linked to the Father and to the Son.

9. The lovely Holy Spirit is beautiful because He is God Himself.

> *But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart TO LIE TO THE HOLY GHOST... THOU HAST NOT LIED UNTO MEN, BUT UNTO GOD.*
>
> Acts 5:3–4

The Holy Spirit is God! When Ananias lied to the Holy Spirit, he lied to God! To lie to God is to remind Almighty God of rebellious demons and their leader, Lucifer. Lying causes a horrible smell to arise in the presence of God. Christians should be careful as they lie and deceive people freely, thinking that they are getting away with it. There can be a sudden supernatural rejection and judgment of liars and deceivers.

Chapter 2

The Lovely Interplay, Interchange and Interaction of the Holy Spirit

> *Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened, And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased.*
>
> Luke 3:21–22

In the scripture above, we see the interplay, interchange and interaction between the Holy Spirit, the Father and the Son. We see the whole trinity in action. We can learn from what happened at the baptism of Jesus that the Father is unique and separate and distinct from the Son. We also see that the Son is completely separate and operating uniquely and distinctly from the Father and the Holy Spirit. We also see the Holy Spirit distinctly operating like a dove and descending from heaven.

It is a great blessing to see this majestic, divine, awesome trio in action! What an amazing unique interplay, interchange and interaction that goes on between the Holy Spirit, the Son and the Father! The Father speaks from heaven, whilst the Son walks upon the earth, praying, and the Holy Spirit descends separately and uniquely on the Son.

Our lovely Holy Spirit, whom we are studying, is indeed an amazing part of the trinity, and yet a distinctively separate part of the Holy Trinity.

1. The Holy Spirit has a unique name which is different from the unique name of Father and the unique name of the Son.

> *Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:*
>
> Matthew 28:19

The Holy Spirit is uniquely important and uniquely distinct from the Father and also from the Son. This is why we are told to go forth and teach nations in the distinct name of the Father and in the distinct name of the Son and in the distinct name of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit has a name that is distinct from the Father and also distinct from the name of the Son.

2. The Holy Spirit is a distinctive gift from the Father, upon the request of the Son.

> *And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;*
>
> John 14:16

In the scripture above, we see that the lovely Holy Spirit operates in a distinctively unique way. Here again, we see an amazing interchange, interplay and interaction between the Father and the Son.

- The Holy Spirit is a gift requested by the Son.
- The Holy Spirit is a gift given by the Father.
- The Holy Spirit distinctively arrives into our midst because the Son has requested that it should be done.
- The Holy Spirit distinctively arrives into our midst because the Father has answered the Son's request.

3. The Holy Spirit moves uniquely and independently of the Father and the Son.

> *In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.*
>
> Genesis 1:1–3

In the creation of the universe, the sun, the moon and the stars, we see a super interchange, interaction and interplay between the Holy Spirit, the Father and the Son.

- The Father's role was to speak the world into existence.
- The Son's role was to work with His Father for the creation of every single thing.
- The Holy Spirit had a unique role — to move on the face of the waters.

> *Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.*
>
> John 16:7

The movement of the Holy Spirit is separate and distinct from the movement of the Son. When the Son leaves the earth, the Holy Spirit leaves heaven and comes to the earth to replace Him!

Chapter 3

The Love of the Humble Holy Spirit

> *For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.*
>
> 2 Timothy 1:7

Satan is a spirit of pride. The Holy Spirit is the exact opposite. The Holy Spirit does not exalt Himself. The Holy Spirit does not vaunt Himself. God has given us the spirit of power, love and a sound mind!

The Holy Spirit is lovely because He is full of power! He is lovely because He is full of love! Remember that love does not boast and is not arrogant. Love is a form of humility! The Holy Spirit is the spirit of a sound mind. A sound mind is a humble, careful and cautious mind!

1. The lovely humble Holy Spirit is someone who can be sent by the Father!

> *But the Comforter, which is THE HOLY GHOST, WHOM THE FATHER WILL SEND in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.*
>
> John 14:26

The humility of the Holy Spirit is seen in the humble way in which He can

be sent by both the Father and the Son. The lovely Holy Spirit is both beautiful and glorious because He is a humble, sendable Holy Spirit.

2. The lovely humble Holy Spirit is someone that can be sent by Jesus!

> *But WHEN THE COMFORTER IS COME, WHOM I WILL SEND unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:*
>
> John 15:26

The lovely Holy Spirit can be sent by the Son. Remember that Jesus was sent by the Father and Jesus sent the Holy Spirit.

> *And HE THAT SENT ME IS WITH ME: the Father hath not left me alone; for I do always those things that please him.*
>
> John 8:29

3. The lovely humble Holy Spirit does not speak about Himself.

> *Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: FOR HE SHALL NOT SPEAK OF HIMSELF; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.*
>
> John 16:13

The lovely Holy Spirit is so powerful, and yet He does not speak about Himself. The humble Holy Spirit does not talk about His exploits in the creation of the world. He does not talk about how He is the supernatural

presence everywhere in the world. He does not speak about Himself!

He is humble! He is all powerful! He is glorious! Yet, He does not glorify Himself. He glorifies Jesus! Let us learn from the Holy Spirit what true humility is.

> *He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.*
>
> John 16:14

Chapter 4

The Love of the Person and Love of the Personality

> *And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.*
>
> Genesis 1:26

1. Love of the Person of the Holy Spirit

The beauty of the Holy Spirit is that He is a person who has a body that looks like a man. Let US make man in OUR image! God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are US. We are made in THEIR image.

When you actually imagine the Holy Spirit as someone who is indeed in the image of a man, it helps you to talk to Him and commune with Him as a person. God's image includes the Holy Spirit. We look like the Holy Spirit too because we are made in His image. The Holy Spirit is a real person.

> *And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.*

> John 14:16–17

Jesus could not have used this language if the person coming to replace Him was simply an impersonal influence or power. One divine person was going and another divine person was coming to take His place.

2. Love of the Personality of the Holy Spirit

A person has a personality. The Holy Spirit is a person and He has a personality. You must love the personality of the Holy Spirit! In the Bible, the characteristics of a personality are repeatedly ascribed to the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit has all the marks of a personality!

3. The Spirit is a lovely personality we can commune with.

> *The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and THE COMMUNION OF THE HOLY GHOST, be with you all. Amen.*
>
> 2 Corinthians 13:14

We can converse and talk together with the Holy Spirit. To commune means to talk together with a deep level of intensity or intimacy. Imagine that we can actually have a conversation with the Holy Spirit!

4. The Spirit is a lovely personality who knows many things about God.

> *But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God... THE THINGS OF GOD KNOWETH NO MAN, BUT THE SPIRIT OF GOD.*

> 1 Corinthians 2:10–11

5. The Spirit is a lovely personality who has a will.

> *But all these worketh that one and THE SELFSAME SPIRIT, dividing to every man severally AS HE WILL.*
>
> 1 Corinthians 12:11

The Holy Spirit has a will. He can decide to move and to manifest Himself if He wants. We must never forget that the lovely Holy Spirit has a will of His own. He can choose to reveal things to you or He can choose to be silent.

6. The Spirit is a lovely personality who has a mind.

> *And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is THE MIND OF THE SPIRIT, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God.*
>
> Romans 8:27

The Holy Spirit has a mind and therefore He thinks. He is thinking about you and about the things you have whispered to Him.

7. The Spirit is a lovely personality who has love and who feels love.

> *Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for THE LOVE OF THE SPIRIT, that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me;*
>
> Romans 15:30

The Holy Spirit has love and therefore He can choose to love someone and be in love with someone. He loves the humble! He stays far from the proud!

8. The Spirit is a lovely personality and a good person.

> *THOU GAVEST ALSO THY GOOD SPIRIT TO INSTRUCT THEM, and withheldest not thy manna from their mouth, and gavest them water for their thirst.*
>
> Nehemiah 9:20

9. The Spirit is a lovely personality who can be tenderly and touchingly grieved by us.

> *And GRIEVE NOT THE HOLY SPIRIT of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.*
>
> Ephesians 4:30

This lovely personality can be grieved because He is full of love. It is when you love someone that the person can hurt you. The Spirit loves us very much, that is why He can be grieved.

10. The Spirit is a lovely personality who can search for things.

> *But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for THE SPIRIT SEARCHETH ALL THINGS, yea, the deep things of God.*
>
> 1 Corinthians 2:10

The Holy Spirit will search your heart and reveal to you the deep things which you are not even conscious of. This is why it is important to leave repenting people to the Holy Spirit. It is only the Holy Spirit who can search their hearts and convince them of who they really are.

11. The Spirit is a lovely personality who speaks and guides the churches of God.

> *He that hath an ear, let him hear WHAT THE SPIRIT SAITH UNTO THE CHURCHES.*
>
> Revelation 2:7

The Holy Spirit is always saying something to the church. The more you love the Spirit, the more you will hear His voice concerning your church. The Spirit is not a silent or depressive personality. He speaks! He chats! He guides!

> *For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.*
>
> Romans 8:14

> *As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them.*
>
> Acts 13:2

12. The Spirit is a lovely personality who cries out within your heart.

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> *And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth THE SPIRIT OF HIS SON INTO YOUR HEARTS, CRYING, Abba, Father.*
>
> Galatians 4:6

Learn to hear the cries of the Spirit! This is why you rarely doubt your salvation and the fact that God is your father. Your calm conviction and your strong faith in your Father, is the result of the Holy Spirit crying in your heart, "Abba Father."

13. The Spirit is a lovely personality who prays.

> *Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but THE SPIRIT ITSELF MAKETH INTERCESSION FOR US with groanings which cannot be uttered.*
>
> Romans 8:26

The Holy Spirit is not just an influence who makes us pray, He actually prays for us. The Holy Spirit helps you pray but also prays for you.

14. The Spirit is a lovely personality who testifies and gives you evidence.

> *But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, EVEN THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH, WHICH PROCEEDETH FROM THE FATHER, HE SHALL TESTIFY OF ME:*
>
> John 15:26

The Holy Spirit loves giving evidence. Many things are the evidence that the Holy Spirit is giving to prove things He has spoken to you about.

15. The Spirit is a lovely personality but He will be vexed by rebellion.

> *BUT THEY REBELLED, AND VEXED HIS HOLY SPIRIT: therefore he was turned to be their enemy, and he fought against them.*
>
> Isaiah 63:10

The Holy Spirit can become your enemy. The Holy Spirit is an enemy to rebels!

16. The Spirit is a lovely personality who is sensitive to despisement and dishonour.

> *Just think how much worse the punishment will be for those who have trampled on the Son of God... and have insulted and disdained the Holy Spirit who brings God's mercy to us.*
>
> Hebrews 10:29 (NLT)

The lovely Holy Spirit is very sensitive to despisement and dishonour. If you scoff at the Holy Spirit and His manifestations, you will find out that He will move very far from you. Be careful that you do not despise or dishonour the Holy Spirit.

17. The Spirit is a lovely personality who is very sensitive to lies and deception.

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> *But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost?*
>
> Acts 5:3

Lies are a direct product of satan. The Holy Spirit is very sensitive to lies. If you want to quench the Holy Spirit in your life, then tell a lie. You can choose for yourself: live with lying and deception and satan, or live with truth, honesty and the Holy Spirit.

18. The Spirit is a lovely personality but He will not forgive blasphemy against Himself.

> *Wherefore I say unto you, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men: BUT THE BLASPHEMY AGAINST THE HOLY GHOST SHALL NOT BE FORGIVEN UNTO MEN.*
>
> Matthew 12:31–32

There is one sin that will not be forgiven: that is when you blaspheme or speak against the Holy Spirit! You must be very careful, lest you cross the line and insult the Holy Spirit Himself.

Chapter 5

The Anointing of Regeneration

> *For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another. But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy HE SAVED US, BY THE WASHING OF REGENERATION, AND RENEWING OF THE HOLY GHOST;*
>
> Titus 3:3–5

You will fall in love with the Holy Spirit because of the way He re-creates people and regenerates them. He is the anointing for regeneration!

1. The anointing of regeneration is the power of the Holy Spirit to regenerate and to recreate a human being.

Our salvation is not an experience of education or re-education. Our salvation involves the regeneration of a human being. Our salvation is where we are re-born into this world by the Holy Spirit. That is why we claim to be born again.

Outward reform cannot replace the need for regeneration and being reborn. You must be born again is what Jesus said. You must have a new nature! You must become like Jesus Christ. Such a radical regeneration is only possible by the power of the mighty Holy Spirit.

2. The anointing of regeneration is necessary to replace the old lust-filled nature with a new nature.

> *Among whom also WE ALL HAD OUR CONVERSATION IN TIMES PAST IN THE LUSTS OF OUR FLESH, FULFILLING THE DESIRES OF THE FLESH AND OF THE MIND; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.*
>
> Ephesians 2:3

Every human being is born into this world filled with horrible lusts of the flesh and of the mind. The fallen nature of man has to be completely changed. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, God's own nature is given to replace the old, horrible nature.

3. The anointing of regeneration is necessary to generate a brand-new divine nature.

> *According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness... that by these ye MIGHT BE PARTAKERS OF THE DIVINE NATURE, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.*
>
> 2 Peter 1:3–4

Through the power of the anointing of regeneration, a new nature is revealed — the divine nature which is filled with love, joy, peace, gentleness, goodness and patience.

> *THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS LOVE, joy, peace,*

> *longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.*
>
> Galatians 5:22–23

4. The anointing of regeneration is necessary to give birth to a spiritual person who can receive from God.

> *But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.*
>
> 1 Corinthians 2:14

We come into this world with a mind that is blind to the truth of God. Only the Holy Spirit can make you to receive the things of God.

5. The anointing of regeneration is necessary to realign our desires.

> *FOR I KNOW THAT IN ME (THAT IS, IN MY FLESH,) DWELLETH NO GOOD THING: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not.*
>
> Romans 7:15–22

We come into this world with affections and desires that are in opposition to God. Most of us have come into this world loving the things that we ought to hate and hating the things that we ought to love! Thank God for the spirit of regeneration!

6. The anointing of regeneration is necessary to change our wills and our minds.

> *BECAUSE THE CARNAL MIND IS ENMITY AGAINST GOD: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.*
>
> Romans 8:7–8

> *For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.*
>
> Philippians 2:13

7. The anointing of regeneration causes us to be born again.

> *Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.*
>
> John 3:3–5

The Holy Spirit is involved in the rebirth of Christians by the word of God. The word of God is the seed but the Spirit brings life into the seed.

> *Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but THE SPIRIT WHICH IS OF GOD; THAT WE MIGHT KNOW THE THINGS THAT ARE FREELY GIVEN TO US OF GOD.*
>
> 1 Corinthians 2:12–13

No amount of preaching or teaching, and no amount of mere study of the Word will regenerate a new character, unless the Holy Spirit works His work of regeneration. It is He and He alone who makes a man a new

creature! What a lovely Holy Spirit we have!

Chapter 6

The Lovely Spirit that Brings Satisfaction

> *For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.*
>
> Romans 14:17

One of the almost-romantic features of the Holy Spirit is how He brings satisfaction, peace and rest to the life of striving, grasping human beings. This will make you love the Holy Spirit.

The human race is a relentless force constantly running helter-skelter in search of things that satisfy. People do anything to have a feeling of satisfaction or ecstasy. Drugs, sex, alcohol, perversions, food, family, children, holidays, money, riches are never able to bring the satisfaction that human beings are seeking for. Amazingly, the Holy Spirit gives us righteousness, peace and joy.

Righteousness, peace and joy amount to the highest dimension of satisfaction, peace and calm. You will love the Holy Spirit because He is the anointing that brings satisfaction, peace and joy.

1. The lovely Holy Spirit brings satisfaction, fullness and a sense of accomplishment.

> *Jesus answered and said unto her, Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again: But WHOSOEVER DRINKETH OF*

> *THE WATER THAT I SHALL GIVE HIM SHALL NEVER THIRST; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.*
>
> John 4:13–14

Anyone who drinks of the Holy Spirit will never thirst again. Anyone who drinks of the Holy Spirit will never need or want anything else.

2. The lovely Holy Spirit brings a deep satisfaction that is from within.

The satisfaction does not come from any external realities that you may be seeing or experiencing. The water of the Holy Spirit springs up from within as a well of everlasting life.

3. The lovely Holy Spirit is a river of life.

A river is a source of life, livelihood, prosperity and well-being. This is why major cities of the world are built around rivers. A river is a source of everything you need — for domestic needs, pleasure, cleansing, health and food.

> *He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow RIVERS OF LIVING WATER. (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive.)*
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> John 7:38–39

Chapter 7

The Love of the Spirit of Adoption

> *For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received THE SPIRIT OF ADOPTION, WHEREBY WE CRY, ABBA, FATHER. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God.*
>
> Romans 8:15–16

One of the lovely aspects of the Holy Spirit is that He is a spirit of adoption. His presence causes the adoption of sons and daughters and the creation of new super families. You will grow to love the Spirit because of this particular feature of His presence.

The Holy Spirit is the spirit of adoption. Adoption is where people become fathers and mothers to children they did not bring forth biologically speaking. The spirit of adoption causes men to identify as their sons. Where the spirit of adoption is working, people who do not have any biological connection begin to see and accept others as their parents or children. This is possible through the spirit of adoption.

An adopted child receives a new parent whom he otherwise would not have had. *The spirit of adoption is the Holy Spirit. He is moving around, causing people to identify people as fathers, causing people to identify sons and others to adopt daughters.*

1. The Holy Spirit makes you identify your own father.

> *And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth THE SPIRIT OF HIS SON INTO YOUR HEARTS, CRYING, ABBA, FATHER. Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.*
>
> Galatians 4:6–7

Through the anointing of the Holy Spirit, we call God Abba Father. It is only by the power of the Holy Spirit that you can come to the place where you call someone "Father".

God sends His Holy Spirit to work on your heart so that you see Him as a father. God also gives the Holy Spirit so that we recognize certain individuals as fathers or sons. That is the spirit of adoption!

It is in every father to long for his child's recognition of him as the father. God wants us to see Him in that unique loving role. The natural attitude of our hearts toward God is not that of sons. It takes the anointing of the Holy Spirit to really make you see God as your father.

You do not create sons by telling people to call you father. However, when the Spirit of His Son bears witness together with our spirits to our sonship, then we are filled and thrilled with the sense that we are sons. You will become a son or a daughter to anyone whom the Holy Spirit impresses you to relate to in that way.

2. The spirit of adoption makes you live the life of a son.

It takes power to live as a son and practice proper sonship.

> *For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.*

Romans 8:14

> *But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:*
>
> John 1:12

3. The spirit of adoption leads you to the place where you enjoy sonship.

Unless the Holy Spirit leads you, you will never experience what it means to be the son of God.

> *For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.*
>
> Romans 8:14

Chapter 8

The Love of the Spirit of the Teacher

> *It is written in the prophets, AND THEY SHALL BE ALL TAUGHT OF GOD. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me.*
>
> John 6:45

Loving the Spirit is loving the teacher. Fall in love with the Spirit of the teacher! The wonderful Holy Spirit is the spirit of truth! He teaches you many things and guides you in many ways. It is important for you to prepare yourself to learn from the Holy Spirit. The lovely Holy Spirit will teach you in ten distinct ways.

1. The Spirit of the teacher has a voice that teaches you directly!

> *But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: BUT AS THE SAME ANOINTING TEACHETH YOU OF ALL THINGS, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.*
>
> 1 John 2:27

You may hear the voice of the Holy Spirit directly. The voice of the Spirit may sound like an impression, a perception or conviction. Many times, the voice of the Spirit is hidden, vague and unclear. But the voice of the Spirit

may be even more clear and explicit at other times.

> *Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;*
>
> 1 Timothy 4:1

2. The Spirit of the teacher has a voice that teaches you through teachers!

> *And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and TEACHERS;*
>
> Ephesians 4:11

God gives teachers! The Holy Spirit will use these teachers to speak and teach you. The Holy Spirit will speak to you through people who are anointed to teach the word of God. Do not miss the voice of the Holy Spirit that comes to you through an anointed teacher of the Word.

3. The Spirit of the teacher guides you towards truth.

> *HOWBEIT WHEN HE, THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH, IS COME, HE WILL GUIDE YOU INTO ALL TRUTH: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.*
>
> John 16:12–13

Deceptions, untruths, hypocrisies are in the opposite direction of where

God is. God is where truth is! That is why Jesus said, “I am the way, the truth and the life.” When you are being guided towards truth, you are being guided towards Jesus. Go towards truth, no matter how hard it is.

4. The Spirit of the teacher points you towards certain books.

> *AND THE VOICE WHICH I HEARD FROM HEAVEN SPAKE UNTO ME AGAIN, AND SAID, GO AND TAKE THE LITTLE BOOK... And I took the little book out of the angel’s hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth sweet as honey.*
>
> Revelation 10:8–11

The Holy Spirit teaches you by leading you to books that you must read. The Holy Spirit is always pointing you to a book. At this very moment, the Holy Spirit is guiding you to read certain books. Expect it! Look out for it!

5. The Spirit of the teacher reminds you of things.

> *But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and BRING ALL THINGS TO YOUR REMEMBRANCE, whatsoever I have said unto you.*
>
> John 14:26

Anytime you are reminded of things in the past, think of the Holy Spirit. God uses the past to guide us today. He brings things to your memory to remind you not to go the wrong way again. Remembering helps you not to go round in circles.

6. The Spirit of the teacher predicts the future.

> *Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth... AND HE WILL SHEW YOU THINGS TO COME.*
>
> John 16:13

The Holy Spirit will speak of the future. The Holy Spirit is greatly concerned with what is going to come. The Holy Spirit makes us concerned about the future by predicting things accurately all the time.

7. The Spirit of the Teacher glorifies Christ.

> *HE SHALL GLORIFY ME: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.*
>
> John 16:14

You will fall in love with the Spirit because the Holy Spirit glorifies Jesus all the time. If you love Jesus, you will love the Spirit because He is glorifying Jesus all the time.

8. The Spirit of the Teacher teaches through revelation.

> *That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you THE SPIRIT OF WISDOM AND REVELATION in the knowledge of him:*
>
> Ephesians 1:17

You will enjoy the Holy Spirit because He teaches through revelation —

sudden bursts of revelation that are exciting and exhilarating. Expect to receive revelation as you walk with the Holy Spirit, who is a teacher.

> *THOU GAVEST ALSO THY GOOD SPIRIT TO INSTRUCT THEM, and withheldest not thy manna from their mouth, and gavest them water for their thirst.*
>
> Nehemiah 9:20

9. The Spirit of the Teacher teaches through nature.

> *Doth not even nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him?*
>
> 1 Corinthians 11:14

Anyone who exposes himself to the wonders of nature will find the Holy Spirit teaching him many things. The study of nature reveals the will and the character of God.

10. The Spirit of the Teacher teaches through people you meet.

> *It is clear that Christ himself wrote this letter and sent it by us. It is written, not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, and not on stone tablets but on human hearts.*
>
> 2 Corinthians 3:2–3 (GNB)

The spirit of the teacher teaches you through people you encounter. Every time you meet someone, think of what the Holy Spirit may be trying to tell you or show you through that encounter. He may be telling you to follow a

good example that has ended well. He may also be telling you to avoid certain things.

> *And further, by these, my son, be admonished: of making many books there is no end; and much study is a weariness of the flesh.*
>
> Ecclesiastes 12:12